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25X1 1. The following are military defense points in the Odzhakhkuli-Gyullibulag sector:

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a. Eight to ten light tanks (25-30 tons) are buried into the ground with the gun and turret sticking out above the ground. They are located on the right side of the road about 200 meters apart. Two of the tanks are located around the right bend and along the road that leads from Gyullibulag to Kops.

b. Approximately 15-16 reinforced concrete pillboxes are located on the left side of the road. These pillboxes are approximately six meters in diameter and are camouflaged with nets. They are about 100 meters apart. There are no artillery pieces installed in them.

c. A tank ditch, approximately seven meters wide and three meters deep, runs along the eastern slope of the hills starting at Odzhakhkuli, then curves east to the Arpachay River, at approximately Nizhniya Kalindzha, and finally northwest in the direction of Gyullibulag, where the ditch turns a sharp right ending near Kops.

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d. Barbed wire, approximately 1.2 meters high, stretches north from Mullamis to Kochevka Badzhogly. A plowed strip, approximately 1.5 meters wide, is located in front of the barbed wire. A rocket trip-wire lies loose on top of the strip.

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e. There is a large military dump located in the Kazakhly Post (Cossack Post) in Leninakan.

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- 25X1 2. The 128th MVD Border Guard Battalion and another unidentified battalion are stationed near Badzhogly. [] the 128th and the unidentified border guard battalions are part of the 39th MVD Border Guard Regiment with headquarters in Leninakan.² Both units have light tanks and antiaircraft artillery. The troops wore green shoulder boards and they had green bands around their hats (sic).
- 25X1 3. The officers [] are as follows:
- 25X1 a. Major Koslov (fnu), commanding officer of the 128th MVD Border Guards Battalion, stationed in the Gyullibulag area.
- b. Major Shmodchenko (fnu), commanding officer of the 52nd Separate Military Construction Battalion.
- 25X1 c. Captain Karapkevich (fnu), commanding officer of the 3rd Company of the 52nd Separate Military Construction Battalion.
- 25X1 d. [] Major Suren Vartanyan is the chief of the MVD in Leninakan. Senior Lieutenant Dilolyan (fnu) was in charge of the passport section.
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- 25X1 [] Comment. []
- 25X1 [] The 39th MVD Border Guard Regiment may actually be the 39th Border Guard Detachment (Otryad) and the two battalions may actually be subordinate units of the 39th but they probably are not battalions.
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